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| DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN PATENT APPLICATION (37 CFR 1.63) | | Attorney Dkt. No. | |
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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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I believe I am the original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

Proteins involved in the regulation of energy homeostasis
the specification of which was filed on 3 December 2003 as PCT
International Application Number PCT/EP2003/013655 and was amended on _____.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above- identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

| Prior Foreign Application Numbers | Country | Foreign Filing Date (MM/DD/YYYY) | Priority Not Claimed | Certified Copy Attached? | |
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We hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

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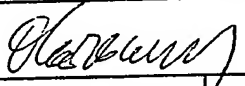
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